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SUBJ: CABINDAN SEPARATISTS (FLEC) AGAIN URGE US SUPPORT

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1. TWO FLEC REPRESENTATIVES VISITED EMBASSY JUNE 6
BEARING LETTER TO AMBASSADOR FROM FLEC PRESIDENT RANQUE
GRANQUE REQUESTING THAT EMBASSY INFORM USG AND
CABINDA GULF OIL THAT MPLA HAS ANNOUNCED IT WILL BLOW
UP CABINDA OIL INSTALLATIONS BEFORE IT LEAVES. LETTER
SAYS CABINDA SITUATION WORSENING AND MERITS URGENT
INTERNATIONAL ACTION. REPRESENTATIVES, RECEIVED BY
ACTING DCM, IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS FRANCISCO XAVIER
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LUBOTA (FLEC'S SYG AND ROVING AMBASSADOR) AND JEAN

DA COST (COMMANDER OF FLEC ARMED FORCES.)

2. LUBOTA SAID CURRENT FIGHTING IN CABINDA CONSISTED
CHIEFLY OF MPLA AND
FNLA FORCES KILLING CABINDANS. ONE
THOUSAND CABINDA REFUGEES CROSSED INTO ZAIRE JUNE 5
AND MORE COMING. MPLA/VNLA/UNITA ARE IN UNHOLY ALLIANCE
TO CRUSH CABINDAN SEPARATION. HOWEVER, TIME RUNNING OUT
ON ANGOLAN MOVEMENTS IN CABINDA. THANKS TO NEW STRONG
SUPPORT FROM ZAIRE, CONGO, GABON AND CAMEROON, VAST
MAJORITY OF OAU MEMBER STATES HAVE SWUNG BEHIND FLEC.
("OUR DIPLOMATIC BATTLE IS WON".) LUBOTE PREDICTED FULL
OAU RECOGNITION OF SEPARATE CABINDA AT NEXT MONTHS KAMPALA
SUMMIT. HE IS DEPARTING JUNE 7 TO REPRESENT FLEC AT RABAT
MEETING OF OAU'S AFRICAN LIBERATION COMMITTEE.

3. DA COSTA SPOKE LITTLE. SAID FLEC ARMED FORCES ARE
STATIONED IN ZAIRE AND CONGO, NONE IN CABINDA. ONLY
SUBSETANTIAL HELP HAS BEEN FROM MOBUTU. EXPRESSED
CONFIDENCE THAT ONCE OAU HAS ACKNOWLEDGED CABINDA'S
RIGHTS, FLEC FORCES WILL BE IN POSITION TO MOVE IN AND MAKE
SHORT WORK OF ANGOLAN FORCES THERE.

4. AFTER RECEIVING ASSURANCES THAT EMBASSY WOULD INFORM
WASHINGTON OF DEMARCHE, LUBOTA ASKED IF EMBASSY COULD
PROVIDE EMERGENCY AID FOR ARRIVING CABINDAN
REFUGEES. ACTING DCM SUGGESTED APPROACH TO LOCAL OFFICE
OF UNHCR INSTEAD.
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